

What is claimed is:

1) In a computer system having a display device for rendering a graphical user interface of a Web browser displaying a Web page in a browser pane and having at least one speaker for playing a first source of streaming media, said graphical user interface comprising a radio toolbar for displaying at least one button capable of controlling said first source of streaming media.

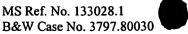
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The computer system of claim 1 wherein the radio toolbar contains:

- a) a play button for instructing the Web browser to play the first source of streaming media;
- b) a mute button for instructing the Web browser to silence the first source of streaming media; and
- c) a volume shder for controlling the volume of the first source of streaming media played over the speaker.
- 3) The computer system of claim 2 wherein the radio toolbar further contains:
  - a) a radio-stations button allowing user selection of the first source of streaming media; and
  - b) an information area displaying information about the first source of streaming media.
- 4) The computer system of claim 1 wherein the graphical user interface of the Web browser further comprises a menu bar that includes a plurality of menu entries selected from the group consisting of: File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools and Help.

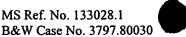
browser pane.

- The computer system of claim 4 wherein the graphical user interface of the Web browser further comprises at least one explorer bar for providing a display area adjacent to the
- 6) The computer system of claim 5 wherein said at least one explorer bar comprises a text box for input of a search query in order to identify at least one second source of streaming media.
- 7) The computer system of claim 6 wherein said at least one explorer bar further comprises a list box for allowing user selection of at least one streaming-media format.
- 8) The computer system of claim 7 wherein said at least one explorer bar further comprises at least one advertising hyperlink to at least one URL.
- 9) The computer system of claim 7 wherein said at least one streaming-media format in the list box is selected from the group consisting of alternative, classical, country, international, jazz, local news, pop, rock, sports and talk.
- 10) The computer system of claim 5 wherein said at least one second source of streaming media is second Web page with at least one streaming-media hyperlink to at least one third source of streaming/media;

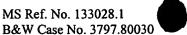


- 11) The computer system of claim 9 wherein said at least one explorer bar is a vertical explorer bar.
- 12) The computer system of claim 9 wherein said at least one explorer bar is a horizontal explorer bar.
  - 13) In a computer system having a display device for rendering a graphical user interface of a Web browser displaying a Web page in a browser pane and having at least one speaker for playing a first source of streaming media, said graphical user interface comprising:
    - a) a radio toolbar displaying a plurality of radio-toolbar buttons for controlling said first source of streaming media, said plurality of radio-toolbar buttons including:
      - i) a play button for instructing the Web browser to play the first source of streaming media;
      - ii) a mute button for instructing the Web browser to silence the first source of streaming media;
      - iii) a volume slider for controlling the volume of the first source of streaming media played over the speaker;
      - iv) a radio-stations button allowing user selection of the first source of streaming media; and
      - v) an information area displaying information about the first source of streaming media;
    - b) at least one explorer bar for providing a display area adjacent to the browser pane, said at least one explorer bar capable of displaying information and allowing user interaction;

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- c) a menu bar for allowing user control of the Web browser and the Web page, the menu bar including a plurality of menu entries selected from the group consisting of: File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools and Help;
- d) a standard-button toolbar that allows user navigation of the Web page, the navigation toolbar including a plurality of navigation-toolbar buttons selected from the group consisting of: Back, Forward, Stop, Refresh, Home, Search, History, Print, Mail and Edit
- e) an address bar identifying an address for the Web page being displayed by the Web browser in the browser pane; and
- f) a status bar showing a current status for the Web page.
- 14) In a computer system having a display device for rendering a graphical user interface of a Web browser displaying a Web page in a browser pane and having at least one speaker for playing a First source of streaming media, said graphical user interface comprising at least one explorer bar for providing a display area adjacent to the browser pane, said at least one explorer bar is registered with the Web browser as a band object, said at least one explorer bar allowing user input regarding the first source of streaming media.
- 15) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable components comprising:
  - a) a radio server component for playing a radio source of streaming media;
  - b) an interfacing component for communicating with the radio server component; and



- at least one radio client component communicating through the interfacing component in order to provide instructions to the radio server component regarding the radio source of streaming media.
- 16) The computer-readable medium of claim 15 wherein the interfacing means is a shared memory component.
- 17) The computer-readable medium of claim 15 wherein the interfacing means is a Windows messaging component.

